



# **CTIO Projects in Support of Air Force Space Command**

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# Overview



## CTIO Focus

### TRLs

#### Completed Projects

- ICBM SE
- MSS

#### In-Progress

- ICBM SE: TE
- AFSPC/NASA
- OPP 1
- OPP 2

- **CTIO Focus/Capabilities**
- **Technology Readiness Levels (TRLs)**
- **Completed Efforts**
  - **Support Equipment Coatings (ICBM SE – HAFB)**
  - **Missile Suspension System (MSS – VAFB)**
- **Efforts in Progress**
  - **Support Equipment Coatings: Transporter Erector (FEW)**
  - **AFSPC & NASA Launch Coatings (CCAFS)**
  - **AFSPC Opportunity Assessment (CCAFS & JDMTA)**
  - **F.E. Warren Opportunity Assessment (FEW)**



# CTIO Focus and Capabilities



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- **Primary focus is integration of Commercial Off-the-Shelf (COTS) technology**
- **CTIO provides a range of support for Air Force organizations**
  - **Mechanical, chemical, and environmental testing**
    - **ISO 17025 Certified**
    - **SAE AS 5505 Accredited**
  - **Coatings Test Method Development**
  - **Technical consultation**
  - **Technology transfer**
  - **AF Voting Member on SAE G-8**



# Technology Readiness Assessment

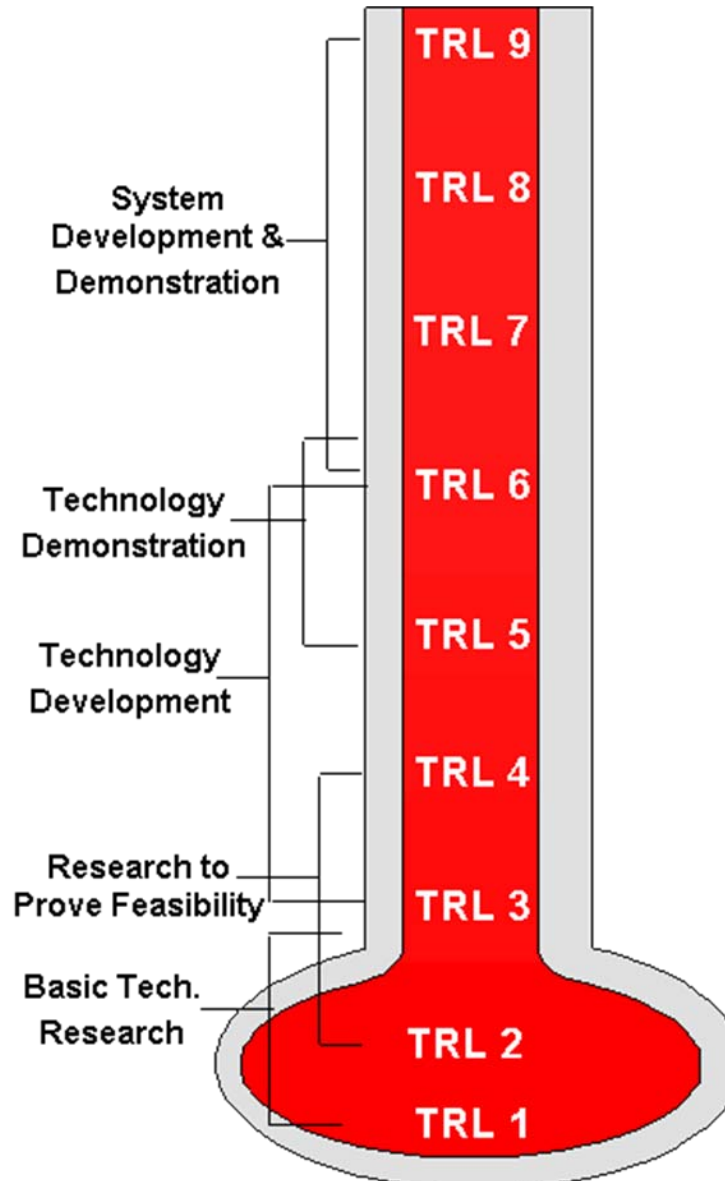


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**Technology  
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Level (TRL)**

**(Definitions  
taken from  
DoD 5002-R,  
5 Apr 2002)**





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**TRL 9**

- Best material formulation, application processes, and equipment proven through successful mission operations

**TRL 8**

- Best material formulation, application processes, and equipment qualified through test and demonstration

**TRL 7**

- Best material formulation, application processes, and equipment demonstrated in an operational environment

**TRL 6**

- Best material formulation, application processes, and equipment demonstrated in a relevant environment

**TRL 5**

- Top material formulations validated in a relevant environment

**TRL 4**

- Candidate material formulations tested against full spectrum of tests in laboratory. Material specification is frozen

**TRL 3**

- Screening test weed out poor material formulations. Detailed material specification is developed

**TRL 2**

- Material formulations vary wildly. Key requirements are documented

**TRL 1**

- Basic principles of materials observed and reported. Requirements are non-specific and incomplete



# Completed Efforts



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- **Completed Efforts (FY08)**
  - **Support Equipment Coatings (ICBM SE – HAFB)**
    - Continuation pending
  - **Missile Suspension System(MSS – VAFB)**
    - Continuation pending



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## Support Equipment Coatings





# Support Equipment Coatings



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  - **Continuation of Logistics Environmental Office Pollution Prevention Project; Air Force Potential Alternatives Report; Low/No VOC Corrosion-Preventive Coatings for ICBM Missile Support Equipment**
  - **Incorporation of metal wire arc spray (MWAS) technology where possible**
  - **Lower hazardous waste production and environmental impact of operations**
- **T.O. 35M4-3-6-1: Standard procedure to repair damaged coatings**
  - **Complete de-paint and re-coat per T.O. 35-1-3**
  - **Scuff and re-coat (T.O. 35-1-3 per T.O. 35M4-3-6-1)**



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Coating Systems, Scuff-and-Shoot, Side Access Doors				
	Substrate	Pretreatment	Primer	White Topcoat
<b>System 1</b>	Aluminum	None	Deft 65-Y-001A	Deft 55-W-002
<b>System 2</b>	Aluminum	None	Deft 65-Y-001A	Deft 36-W-005
Coating Systems, Strip-and-Recoat, Side Access Doors				
	Substrate	Pretreatment	Primer	White Topcoat
<b>System 3</b>	Aluminum	PreKote	Deft 65-Y-001A	Deft 55-W-002
<b>System 4</b>	Aluminum	PreKote	Deft 65-Y-001A	Deft 36-W-005
Coating Systems, Strip and Recoat, Rear Removable Bumper				
	Substrate	Pretreatment	Primer	Blue Topcoat
<b>System 5 (Left half)</b>	Steel	None	Hentzen 00812FEP-ZVOC	Hentzen 04605BUX-ZVOC
<b>System 6 (Right half)</b>	Steel	None	Deft 65-Y-001A	Deft 55-BL-007
Coating Systems for Rear Landing Gear of RMS				
	Substrate	Pretreatment	Primer	Blue Topcoat
<b>System 7</b>	Steel	Metallize	(discretionary)	(discretionary)



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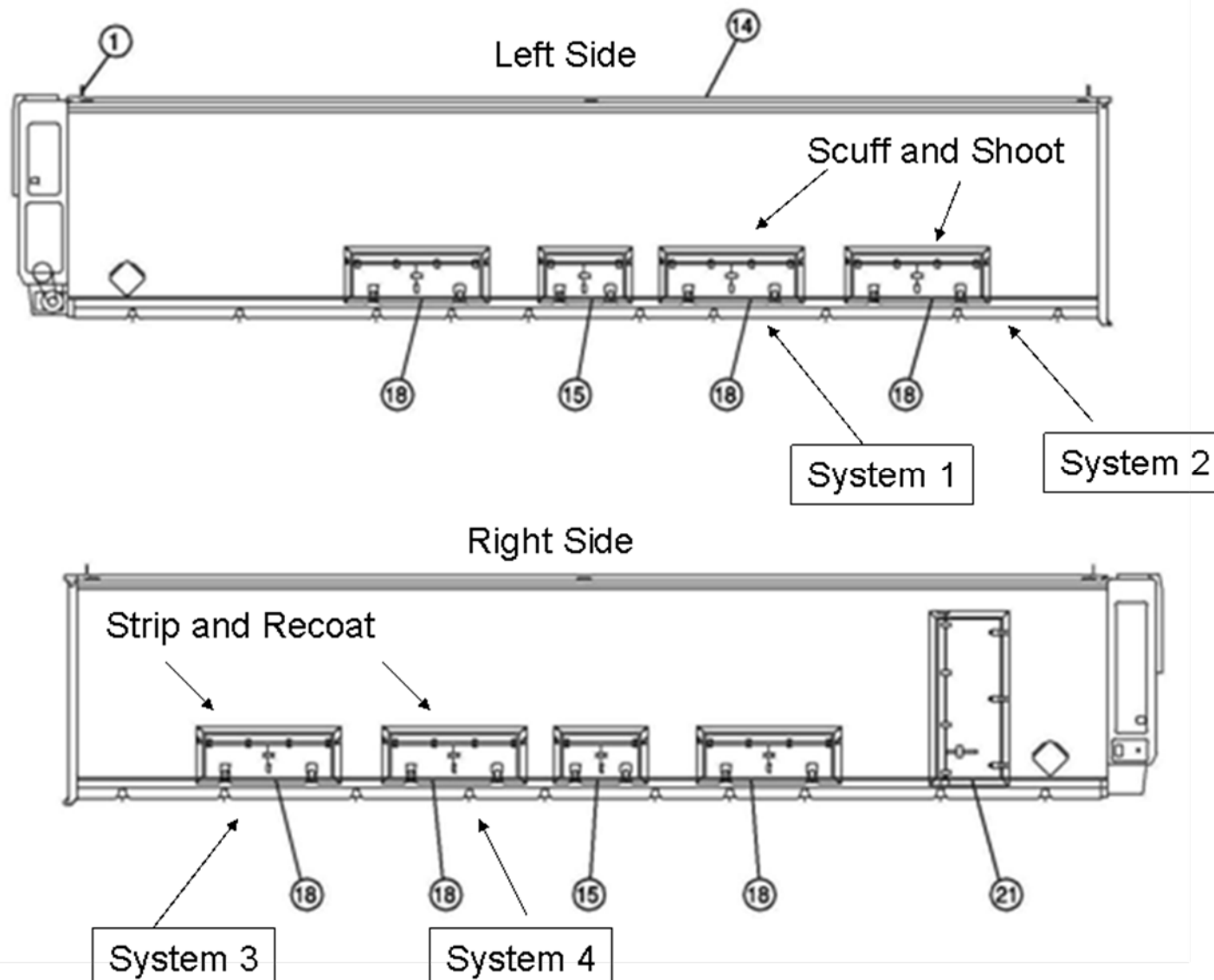
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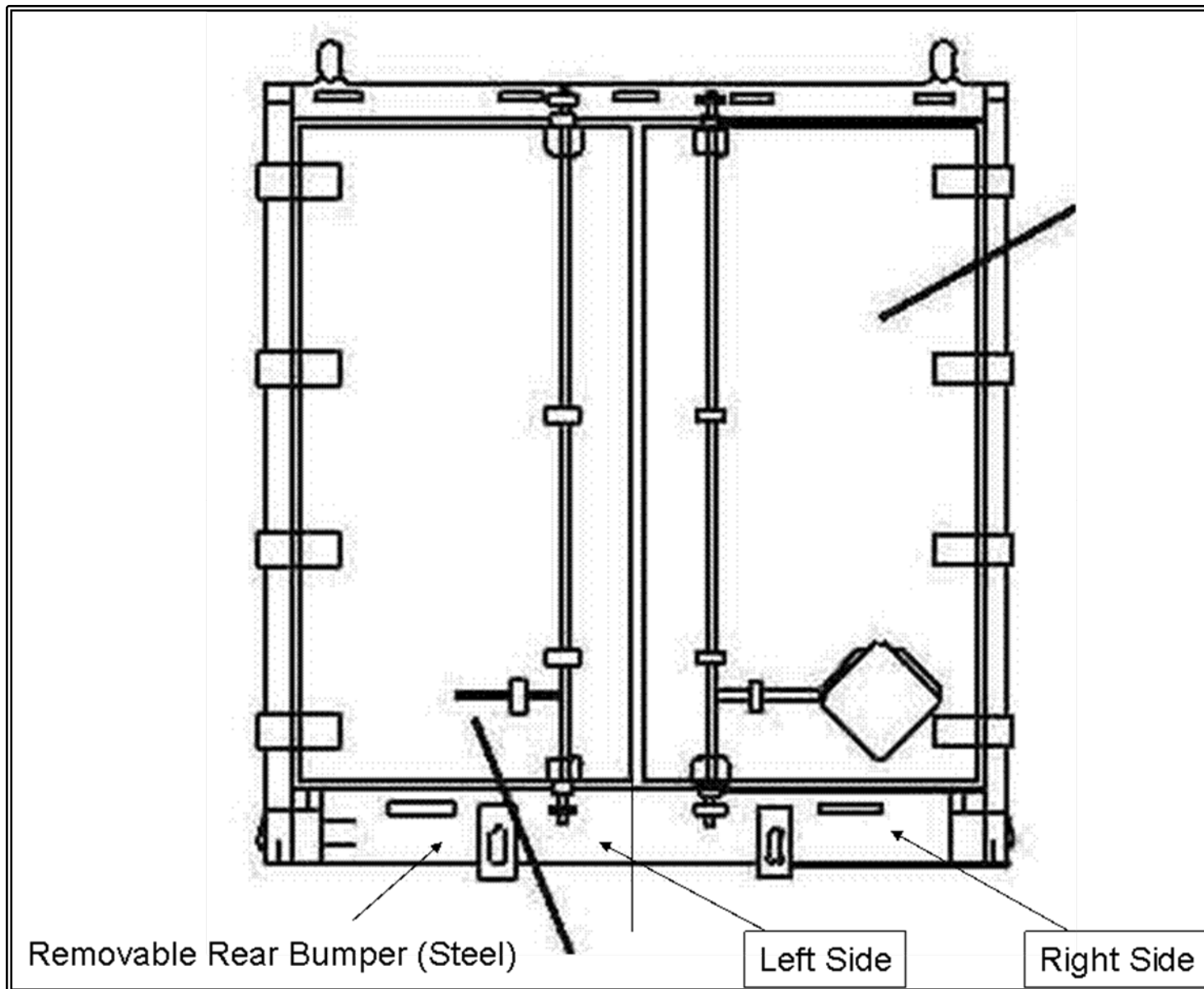
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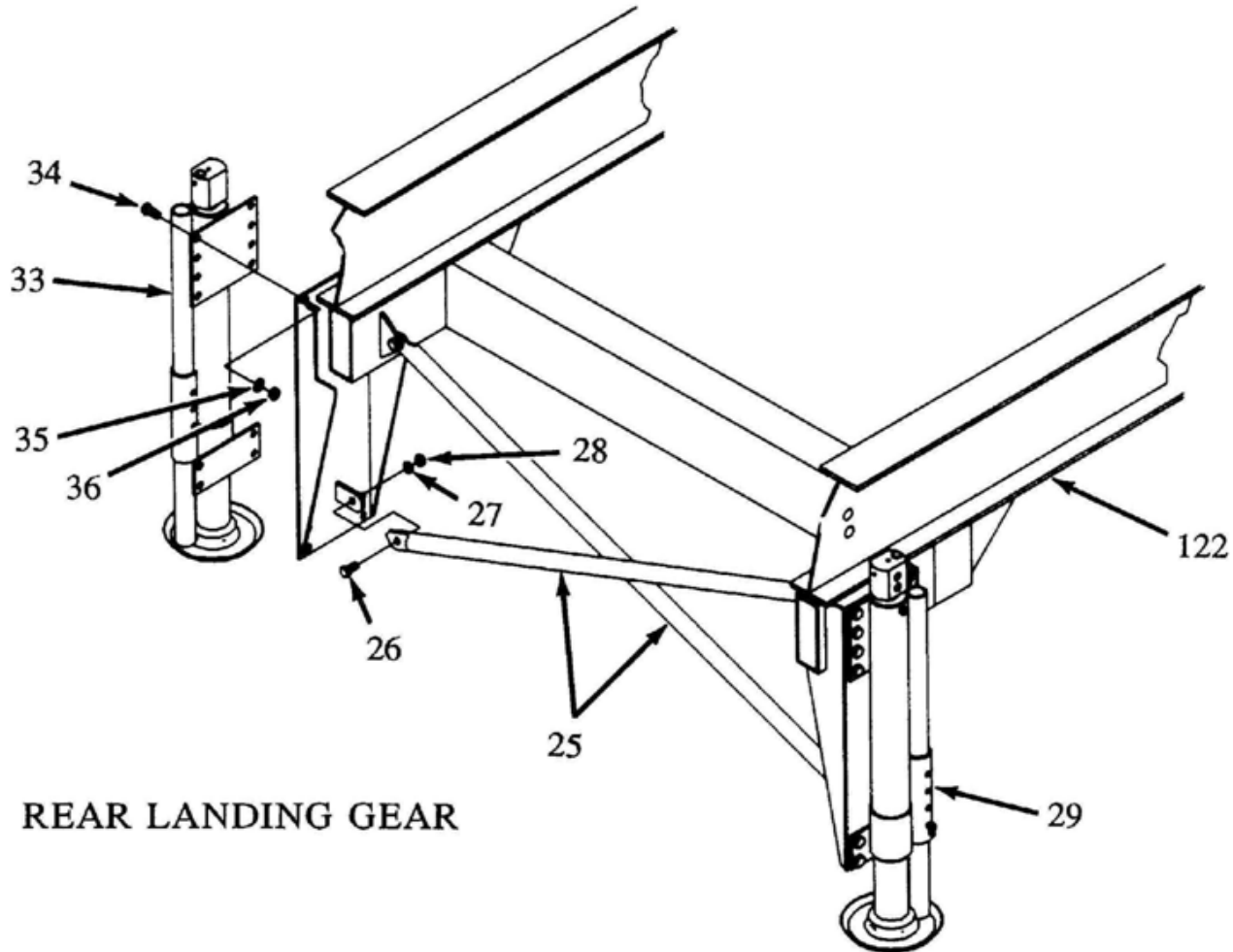
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T.O. 35M4-3-6-1





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- **Coating evaluation**
  - **At initial, 1 year, and 2 years (end-of-test)**
    - **ASTM D 610 Evaluating Degree of Rusting on Painted Steel Surfaces**
      - Rating of 7 or better on 0-10 scale (0.1% - 0.3% rust)
    - **ASTM D 714 Evaluating Degree of Blistering of Paints**
      - Rating of 8-Few or better on 2,4,6,8,10 and D,MD,M,F scales
    - **ASTM D 660 Evaluating Degree of Checking of Exterior Paints (adhesion)**
    - **ASTM D 661 Evaluating Degree of Cracking of Exterior Paints (adhesion)**
    - **ASTM E 308 Computing the Color of Objects by Using the CIE System**
      - $\Delta E$  of greater than 1 on a cleaned, exposed surface



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## Current Status

- **Coatings have been applied to RMS at Hill AFB**

## Final Tasks

- **Complete final report**
- **Follow on project-Evaluate coatings**
- **Complete addendum for follow-on work on Transporter Erector**



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- **Project Goals/Requirements**
  - **Demonstrate/Validate metallization for high-temperature applications**
  - **Platform is the Minuteman III weapons system support equipment (MSS) for the 309 MMXG depot refurbishment squadron located at Vandenberg AFB**
  - **Project carried forward suggestions from a P2OA for Vandenberg AFB**
    - **Reviewed coatings work performed by other DoD groups**
      - **NASA TEERM**
      - **AFRL/RXBT**
      - **AFRL/RXSSO Ballistic Foam coating alternatives work**



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## Current Status

- **Final report has been completed**
- **Test plan for Dem/Val is currently in routing**

## Final Tasks

- **Follow-on work pending**



# Efforts In Progress



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- **Efforts in Progress (FY-08, FY-09)**
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# **Support Equipment Coatings: Transporter Erector**



# Transporter Erector



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- **On Aluminum:**
  - Deft 02GN084 nonchromated epoxy primer (submitted for MIL-PRF-23377 qualification)
  - Deft 55W002 waterborne polyurethane topcoat (MIL-PRF-85285 qualified) (White)
- **On Steel:**
  - Hentzen 00812FEP-ZVOC/06888CEH-ZVOC Zero VOC zinc rich primer (A-A-59745 qualified)
  - Hentzen 04605BUX-ZVOC/04600CHA-ZVOC Zero VOC exempt solvent-borne polyurethane topcoat (MIL-PRF-85285 qualified) (Blue)



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## Current Status

- **Follow-on project plan is pending**

## Final Tasks

- **Follow-on work pending**
  - **Perform Dem/Val**
  - **Complete final report**



# **AFSPC & NASA Launch Coatings**



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- **Project Goals/Requirements**
  - Investigate Low/No VOC non-hazardous (high temperature) alternative coating solutions for launch facilities.
  - This funding will address field testing of alternative coating systems for AFSPC launch facilities in the applicable installation and/or range location.
  - Coating System must be able to survive 1 launch
  - Follow on project from NASA's coating evaluation Phase I





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## Current Status

- Coatings have been applied to site
- BRS and coldspray equipment on order

## Final Tasks

- Evaluate coatings post-launch
- Purchase equipment-metalizer
- Depaint Dem/Val date pending
- Complete final report



# **AFSPC Opportunity Assessment (CCAFS & JDMTA)**



# AFSPC Opportunity Assessment

TRL  
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N/A



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- **Project Goals/Requirements**
  - Opportunity assessment of de-painting, surface preparation, & coating application process' currently used at AFSPC range operations (CCAFS & JDMTA).
  - Provide data analyses and recommendations, a Cost Benefit Analysis and assessment to reduce environmental burden/risk processes and identify alternative environmentally preferable coating systems.
  - Analysis existing process', hazardous waste disposal, environmental regulations, environmental control equipment (paint booth, PPE, etc), & identify new equipment necessary to perform revised process.



# AFSPC Opportunity Assessment

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N/A



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## Current Status

- Site surveys have been completed

## Final Tasks

- Researching and evaluating alternatives
- Complete final report



# **F.E. Warren AFB Opportunity Assessment**





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TRL  
N/A



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- **Project Goals/Requirements**
  - **Evaluate the missile maintenance activities/processes, determine environmental preferable alternatives and calculate payback for implementing alternatives.**
  - **Significant emphasis will be:**
    - **Demonstrating environmentally preferred alternatives for surface preparation,**
    - **Eliminating chromates in solids and liquids used for corrosion control,**
    - **Demonstrating technologies for de-painting operations**
    - **Reduction of hazardous waste generation**
    - **Reduction of environmental vulnerability across all media from the rework/repair modifications for the MMIII program**



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N/A



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## Current Status

- **Kick off meeting has been completed**
- **Initial site visit has been set for 20 Oct – 24 Oct 08**

## Final Tasks

- **Complete site visit**
- **Research/evaluate alternatives**
- **Complete final report**



# Questions???

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